



November 29, 2017

Greetings,

I would like to remind neighbors about the District 1 "Neighborhood Crime Prevention" forum this coming Saturday at Laurel Heights United Methodist Church. It will begin at 11:00 am in the Church gymnasium on the 2nd floor. There is plenty of parking on the East side of the church off of Woodlawn, and off of Mistletoe. A light lunch will be served.



The program will have 4 main parts:

1. Panel presentation of those involved in the successful apprehension and prosecution of a River Road serial burglar
2. Q and A period with Experts on neighborhood crime prevention:
  - A. Councilman Treviño
  - B. Chief Deputy Sheriff Don Tijerina
  - C. District Attorney Nico LaHood
  - D . Police Chief William McManus
3. Table Discussions on Issues and Solutions to neighborhood crime issues

4. Table Captains report back on top 3 issues and solutions.

We will end the forum with a summary of the discussion and best practices. See the attached flyer for more information. Please call if you have any questions.

Yours in Service,



Roberto C. Treviño  
City Councilman  
District 1

[Please click here to print a copy of the flier for the Public Safety Forum](#)

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## **Councilman Roberto Treviño's efforts protect District 1 neighborhoods by stabilizing development**

A Council Consideration Request (CCR) filed by Councilmember Roberto C. Treviño requesting that City Council direct the Development Services Department to initiate plan amendments and rezoning to appropriate land uses and zoning districts for property located primarily in District 1 was unanimously approved today.



The 2001 adoption of the Unified Development Code converted all 1938 and 1965 zoning districts to the current zoning districts. This conversion of the 1938 and 1965 Codes created some nonconforming uses, as they exist within some of this area today.

"This will correct a legacy of incompatible zoning centered in residential neighborhoods and I appreciate the input and dialogue District 1 has had with the many affected neighborhoods," stated Councilman Treviño.

The affected areas include: 1) South of West Mulberry Avenue, areas adjacent to East Mulberry Avenue, South of Hildebrand and East of McCullough, 2) Areas in the northern portion of River Road inside District 2, just North of their boundary along Mulberry, 3) areas South of Gramercy, North of Ashby, West to Fredericksburg, and East to San Pedro, and 4) South of Culebra Road, north of Leal Street, East to Colorado Street and the western boundary of the district.

Every neighborhood included in this effort showed their support by providing comments to the City Council and by mailing in numerous letters in favor of the rezoning.

One such letter from West End Hope in Action (WEHA) President Shawn Price read, "Historically, the West End area has seen inequitable treatment in regards to zoning and planning, as evidenced by the former zoning code and the conversion we [had] today," wrote Price. "This rezoning will help to stabilize the land use and development of our area."

In order to reduce the financial burden on residents, the Development Services Department has agreed to absorb the rezoning case fees for all 1,231 acres in the subject property.

"Thank you to the many people who wrote letters of support of this effort as well as the many folks who showed up this morning to support this item," stated Councilman Treviño. "I will continue the proactive work to protect and promote our great urban core neighborhoods as it relates to responsible development as we continue to re-discover our forgotten neighborhood gems."

## **Short-Term Rental Update**

A Short Term Rental (STR) is a property that rents out all or a portion of a residential dwelling unit, apartment, condominium, or accessory dwelling (as each of the preceding is defined by this Code), for a period of not less than 12 hours and for a maximum of 30 consecutive days to a particular occupant and the operator does not provide food or beverage for consumption for a fee.

There are two proposed classification of STRs:

**Short Term Rental (Type 1)** establishment. A residential dwelling which is occupied by the owner, as reflected in title records, makes his or her legal residence at the site, as evidenced by voter registration, vehicle registration, or

similar means, and which supplies temporary accommodations to overnight guests for a fee.

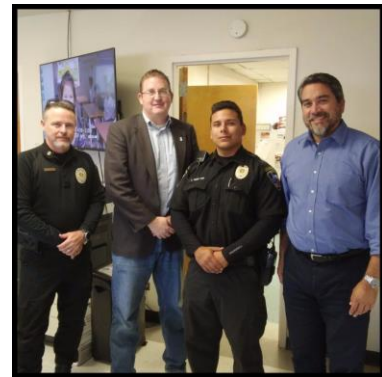
**Short Term Rental (Type 2)** establishment. An establishment which is not occupied by the owner, as reflected in title records, and which supplies temporary accommodations to overnight guests for a fee.

[Click here to learn more about the distinctions between the "Type 1" and "Type 2" STR classifications.](#)

## **Animal Care Services Update**

### **District 1 Dedicated ACS Officer**

After listening to budget feedback, District 1 residents told me that their top public safety priority was animal control. I listened, and am happy to introduce District 1's first dedicated ACS officer, Don Perez. Welcome Don!



### **ACS "Black Furd" Event this Friday!**

Starting at 11a.m. this Friday, the Black Furd frenzy will feature door buster specials all weekend for darker colored pets who typically have a much harder time getting adopted from shelters. Adoption fees have been reduced to \$25 for black dogs or puppies and just \$15 for black cats or kittens and all pets adopted from ACS are sterilized, vaccinated, de-wormed, and microchipped with a free basic lifetime registration. The Black Furd adoption event runs 11a.m. to 7p.m. Friday, November 24th and 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday and Sunday at the shelter located at 4710 State Highway 151. Animal Care Services will be closed this Thursday in observance of the Thanksgiving Day holiday; however, animal care officers will remain available by calling the City's customer service representatives at 3-1-1. Must have mutts and fabulous feline finds will be at the top of everyone's wish list during Animal Care Services' after Thanksgiving adoption extravaganza!

## **Councilman Treviño reacts to recent financial investigation involving Centro San Antonio**

It is always disheartening to learn of any impropriety involving the one of the City's partners. Financial malfeasance is something we cannot and will not tolerate. I am relieved to hear that it appears that the stolen funds did not involve public money - assessments collected from downtown property owners to fund downtown improvements - but rather, private funding, such as membership dues and sponsorship fees.



That said, as the District 1 representative for neighborhoods and downtown, and as member of Audit and Accountability Committee, I look forward to the City's own independent audit to confirm that public improvement funding was not impacted, and I would like to see a full investigation detailing how this happened and how Centro will correct the deficiencies which led to this unethical behavior.

Even though the Centro staff and membership feel demoralized right now, I am confident that the Centro membership and staff will work past this matter and continue to focus on cultivating and coordinating local resources in order to improve our downtown.

I look forward to working with my Audit and Accountability Committee colleagues as well as the Centro board and subsequent new leadership. I have full faith that a robust investigation will shed more light on this impropriety. Learning more about preventative measures will only help to ensure the highest fidelity in all of our partnerships.

Please note that this is an ongoing investigation. I ask that the community please be patient as investigators find all pertinent facts related to this matter.

### **Councilmember Treviño leads Arts, Culture & Heritage committee in Tricentennial work session**

City of San Antonio staff followed up on Councilmember Roberto C. Treviño's request for regular Tricentennial updates to the Arts, Culture, and Heritage Committee (ACHC). This was the first meeting of the ACHC since former Tricentennial CEO Edward Benavides resigned last week. Assistant City Manager Carlos Contreras,



interim CEO of the Tricentennial Commission, reported to the committee that 87% of the \$21.7 million needed to host the year-long celebration has been collected at this point.

"With the Tricentennial 41 days away, this was not just an update," said Treviño "It was a work session where this committee, City staff, and Tricentennial Commission members rolled up their sleeves and took an honest, thoughtful look at the future and impact of the Tricentennial."

The City of San Antonio and the Tricentennial Commission will continue work cooperatively in their respective capacities while the committee will provide direction and oversight to ensure a successful celebration.

"This committee will monitor the progress of the Tricentennial to ensure that it stands on firm financial footing and provides a platform to tell our history to future generations," stated Treviño. "Going forward, we are committed to a Tricentennial that will enrich all members of our community equitably in our anniversary year and beyond."

## **Holiday Safety Tips**

The holidays can be a time of celebration but criminals can use this time to prey on homes and cars with valuables. I want to be sure you are safe this holiday season, so please view the following tips from SAPD:



- Keep windows and doors locked at all times.
- Have curtains or blinds on all windows, and keep them drawn.
- Require Identification from all repair persons or public service individuals without opening the door.
- Hang up on frightening or obscene calls. Invest in an answer machine and screen your calls.
- On your answer machine message, never say you are not at home. Just say you are not by the phone.
- If a prowler enters your home, GET OUT!! Go to a neighbor and call the police.
- If you come home and you think someone is in your home, DO NOT ENTER!! Go to a neighbor and call the police.
- Contact the SAPD Crime Prevention Specialist at your substation and

- schedule a free home security survey
- Don't leave any valuables in your vehicle
- Don't leave boxes or bags of any sort in view at any time...even if they're empty (this could tempt car burglars to break in and see what's inside)
- Always lock up your car and close your windows tightly and turn on your alarm
- If you must leave valuables in your car lock them in the trunk or out of sight before you get to your destination (some criminal monitor our parking lot activities)
- At night park in well-lit areas or attended lots
- Use your garage to park your vehicle (then lock your car and the garage)
- Car alarms are a useful deterrent if properly used
- Stick to the basics...expensive stereos and electronics in vehicles are an a big temptation for criminals

## Upcoming Events

### SA Tomorrow Land Use Meeting

November 30th from 5:30pm - 7:00pm

Development Services Board Room

1901 S. Alamo Street

[Link](#)

### Neighborhood Association Presidents Meeting

December 2nd @ 10 am

Laurel Heights United Methodist

227 W. Woodlawn

### District 1 Public Safety Forum

December 2nd @ 11 am

Laurel Heights United Methodist

227 W. Woodlawn

[Link](#)

### Senior Holiday Celebration

December 8th from 10 am - 1 pm

American Legion Post # 2

3518 Fredericksburg

Please call [\(210\) 207-0900](tel:2102070900) to RSVP



District 1 Holiday Open House

December 9th from 10am - noon

District 1 Field Office

1310 Vance Jackson

Mayor's Housing Policy Task Force Meeting

December 9th @ 8:30 am

Our Lady of the Lake University Chapel Auditorium

411 SW 24th St.

[Link](#)

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